agricultural product in question multiplied by the quantity of production of that agricultural product eligible to receive the administered price.

Agricultural product	Applied administered price Rs./tonne	External reference price Rs./tonne	Eligible production Million tonne	AMS (produc specific) (Rs. crores)
Wheat	1740	3540	49.98	−8988.0
Cotton	5633	17333	1.25	−1454.3
Rice	2280	3520	62.64	−7723.5

The negative product specific AMS figures arise from the fact that the support prices of these products during the reference period were lower than the reference international prices. The total non-product specific support in the case of India was estimated at Rs. 4581.4 crores during the reference period.

In view of the above facts and concept of AMS a negative figure of product specific support cannot be construed as negative support.

The details of our calculations alongwith supporting tables have already been placed in the Parliament House Library.

Promotion of Swadeshi Movement

852. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the Minister of CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) what efforts have been made by the Central Government so far to promote the Swadeshi movement in the country so as to encourage swadeshi proudcts;

(b) whether Central Government propose to open/encourage Swadeshi Bhandars in other parts of the country on the lines of 'Apna Bazar' Swadeshi Bhandar opened by the Delhi Government; and

(c) if so, by when and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI BUTA SINGH): (a) Encouragement to Khadi and Village industries, handlooms and small scale industries has been the general policy of the central Government for promoting Swadeshi movement. Finance Minister has outlined the policy initiatives of the Government in this regard in his Budget Speech (1995-96). These include provision of Rs. 1000 crores by the Banking system on a consosrtium basis for the development of Khadi & Village industries; establishment of a technology and modernisation fund in the Small Industries Development Bank of India with an initial amount of Rs. 200 crores providing financial assistance to small scale units in the form of either loans or equity; formulation of a Seven Point Action Plan in consultation with Banks for improving the flow of credit to small scale sector; and the establishcment of a new North Eastern Development Bank to financie creation, expansion and modernisation of industrial enterprises and infrastructure projects in the region with an authorized capital of Rs. 500 crores.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.